

Gina Rieger
1343 La Lona Ave
Berkeley CA 94708

Jun 20th 2019

Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

We need local internet providers in our communities. I support broadband competition because it provides consumers with choice and quality and responsible service. I currently get my internet service from a local provider because its cost is competitive and its customer service is FAR superior to ATT and Comcast. Internet access is as essential to living today as having electricity and telephone service. Local companies depend on having excellent customer service. Competition is American. Its healthy for the economy, for innovation, for keeping costs down for consumers. We need competition in broadband to assure access for all, fair pricing and choice.

Gina Rieger